wee in life here tell their stories and give reasons, as they see them, for using missed the goal of success. These etters, thousands of which have been received, were invited by The Evening World, which will give \$25 in prizes to the best

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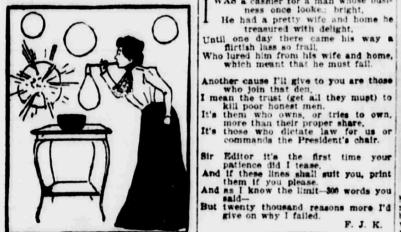
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should accompany them.

A Series of Failures.

WHEN I was young I never studied. If I only had paid attention I would have got along better. When to those above me, as I had the configuration of the state of dense of doing right to both sides.

A. FABIO. older I went to learn typewriting, but had to stop. And then I learned dress making and failed because my eyesight



was very poor. Then I went into a store and failed because I did not learn my lessons when I was in scaeel. Then I studied German, but didn't finish. Next I went to a Frenchwoman to learn Franch, but failed because I would not listen to her. I then tried bookkeeping, but wouldn't study. So I failed again and again. AUGUSTA NAILSON.

20 Kensico avenue, White Plains.

Broken Heart and Drink.

Was in a prosperous way, doing well and fast saving money, when I fell in love with a levely young woman I loved her and she loved me. We kept company for three years. She was four-teen and I twentv-one. I asked her father each year for his consent, and this was his way of putting me off: "I cannot spare her yet. I have nothing against you, but you will act in honor not to marry her arates."

All—uninterrupted labor. And for no honey, no mound, and a name unknown, or known to shame—abor neglected. If, looking back on a decade through a survey or sglass, I see the beginning higher than the end, the whole track, where I had planned a steep ascent, turned into operation of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit system have decided to ask legislative relief.

A bill is now being framed for introduction in both houses at Albany protection as seer to point out that I was master there; that I willed disaster in the past; that I am able and unwilling to will that I am able and unwilling to will triumph for the future?

A. B. not to marry her against my will. Each time I promised, but the last time I got mad and said I would marry some one else, as I was quite tired of a single life. I told her that I would keep my promise in honor, and the dear girl cried and sald: "I will have you or I will never marry." I thought it would hasten our marriage if I said we must part; but, alas! it did not. She went away from home that day, and in twelve months I and her father went twenty miles to find her in a house of bad reputs. From that day I took to drink, I spent eight years' good earnings before I worked a day.

Paterson, N. J.

Began Life Wrong.

first failure resulted from having undertaken a course of three years' study for the ministry, for which afterward I found I had no cailing. Six years having clapsed, I drifted about like a bobbin on the shores of disentent, taking anything that presented itself. But my desire for something vanity took a strong hold on me and landed me on the shores of desolation. Life became a burden. With no definite aim in life, I drift, and in such a life of kneeabout one is very apt to be lost in the shuffs. No trade or profession, without money, friends or hope, make certainly a record of failure. And now I am on the verge of despair. Mills Hotel. CHARLES BRADY.

Temper Ruined Him.

A thirty-seven years of age. Whereever I have worked I have been
found honest, industrious, punctual,
and my work has been well appreciated.
The failure in my life has been due to the fact that I have an irritable temper, so that when any repreach comes from my bose, and I feel such to be unjust. I am too quickly decided to leave his em-ploy. In such a case I would rather



second unjust reproach. Was educated hours in a planing mill, took contract learn to obey before we can command: morning and evening; I helped point up but when I but when I was only eighteen years of d others. My work for five years worked for. Through some disagree-ment I left my place. Since that time I

Castellane Here to Get Control of Wife's Fortune.

The children of the Count and Count-

ess de Castellane have become involved in the question as to whether or not their father shall have sole control o the millions of his wife, who, before her marriage, was Miss Anna Gould. HAVE been married nearly seven years, and have had nothing but fail-The Count, it is said, has been in ure. When I got married I was almost daily conference with George eighteen years old. We started to house-Gould, Manager Phillips and Judge Dilkeeping, and had everything beautiful for a young couple to start with. But the French law a husband is owner of ion in reference to this property. Under half of our things were bought on bor all his wife possesses. But in the will of rowed money, and when I found it out 1 Jay Gould the fifth clause provides that had to hustle to find out where the the trust created for either of the tes-money was coming from to pay the bor-tator's daughters or the latters' offidren shall be "entirely free from any right, estate or control of her hus-It has caused us great failure to do so. if I had started paying as I went along band."

Debt and Failure.

I could have had quite a sum of money

in the bank. But we have had all kinds of bad luck-sickness, death and everything—to keep us back. I have a very kind husband, a hard-working man. When he comes home and gives me his week's pay I know I have to take over

half of it to pay my debts. I don't really have to, but I am honest. I will be the happiest woman in our village when I can say to my husband: "Now what you make is our own, for we don't owe any body one penny."

Mrs. JOHN.

BILL AGAINST ROSSITER.

and Plenty of Transfers

There was a large gathering at 201

remedying of the complained of evils.

Fintlands, L. I., Children Locked

Out Because the Teacher

Wonldn't Be Janiter.

rowed money back.

A Poetic Failure.

WAS a cashier for a man whose busi-

He had a pretty wife and home he treasured with delight.

Until one day there came his way a firtish lass so frail.
Who lured him from his wife and home, which meant that he must fall.

Bir Editor it's the first time your patience did I tease.

And if these lines shall suit you, print them if you please.

And as I know the limit—300 words you said—

said—
But twenty thousand reasons more I'd
give on why I failed.

'Disaster,' Not 'Master. WHERE ites the accumulative power of the bee, where of the ant to raise his mound, where of the

man to push the towering fabric of a

ence of his race? The same answer to

all-uninterrupted labor. And for no

Played the Races.

myself up in the world. But I began to

fast enough, so I started playing the

races and playing policy and other foolish things, thinking that they would bring me rich returns. I wanted to get the bag of gold at the top of the ladder by making one jump instead of taking one rung at a time, and in that I utterly failed.

To Avoid Failure.

wealth, forgetting the little things in

oints and set nails, between times lath-

ed the house and nailed a board walk, he taying stringers. We wanted to save

money, so he dug a well. I ran windlass

lungs were weak, so he left the mill and

life that invariably turn out to be the

IFE is a failure, to my mind, when one begins life without a definite ob-

ject in view, jumps at this, that and other, in a desire to accumulate

FRANKLYN SMITH.

name, sight-compelling, into the pres- Brooklynites Want Five-Cent Fare

with at least one of the parties to the negotiations which have been in progress almost every day since the Castellanes to have his identity disclosed, tells the following story of the Count's troubles

following story of the Count's troubles and the object of his visit:

"No matter what may be said to the contrary, it is a fact that the Count is here solely for the purpose of making an attempt to get control of his wife's share in the Jay Gould estate. This has been the only subject discussed at the conferences which have been held almost daily since he arrived in the Gould offices, 186 Broadway. George Gould, Manager Phillips, Judge Dillon and the Count have been present at all of them, and at least one day the Countess herself attended. The Count made a proposition which was not acceptable to the other Gould heirs. Under the French law a husband owns his wife's property. The Count looks on Anna Gould's share in the estate as his own. He wants to get it in his own control, and to convert at least a part of it into cash. The Gould estate, which was valued at seventy milions when Jay Gould died, has been so wisely invested that it is now worth nearly one hundred millions. The heire are bringing such good returns.

"Anna's share in the estate is something like \$10,000,000. Apart from the natural objections of the other heirs, George, Edwin, Howard, Frank and Helen Gould, to the Count's proposals, a legal obstacle of great moment has been encountered. At the conference last Saturday this objection, which was looked upon as an insurmountable obstacle in the Count's way, was made plain to him. He was informed that under the terms of Jay Gould's will he had no power to accept, for his wife, a lump sum of money in lieu of her legacy, and that he has no legal right to sign away the interests of her children. In corroboration of this claim section V of the first codicil to Jay Gould's will was read to the assembled conferrees."

operation of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit STABBED WITH UMBRELLA

Alamillo, Wounded by Friend, Is Dring in the Hospital of Blood Poisoning.

George Alamillo, a cigarmaker, is dying at his home, 182 Hamburg avenue, Brooklyn, from blood poisoning brought on by a wound accidentally inflicted by Montague street yesterday, and the re-HEN I was a young man I was suit of the meeting was the appointment of a committee, consisting of W. L. Durack, F. H. Cook, A. F. Van Thum

The two weeks ago, and Ragier, in fun.

and H. H. Chituck, which was instructed thrust his umbrella at Alamillo. to draft a suitable bill looking to the The ferrule entered Alamillo's back to

a depth of two inches. A week age A number of Assemblymen attended the gathering and gave assurances that blood poisoning set in. Alamillo begged the police to-day not they would work for any suitable bill to arrest his friend. He became so presented to the Legislature to bring about reforms in Brooklyn's transportaurgent that the policeman disclaime SMALLEST SCHOOL CLOSED.

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After leaving Alamillo, Bagley was taken to the Ewen Street Court, where staken to the Ewen Street Court, where staken to the charge of assault in the second degree.

2. 1. Partridge Is Dead.

Joseph L. Partridge, the father o Public School No. 121, at Remsen place State Superintendent of Public Works and Canarsie road, Flatiands Neck, L. John N. Partridge, and one of the oldest I., is closed. The teacher, Miss Ben- citizens of Brooklyn, died last night. nett, refuses to be janitress and teacher, Mr. Partridge was in his ninety-sixth too.

The building is 18x25 feet, and but one atory high, yet many well-known men were educated there.

It is in Greater New York, and pressure is being brought to have a new house built. It the mean time the children go without instruction.

year and was the oldest graduate of Williams College, being graduated from that institute in 1828. He was born in Cambridge and was associated with some of the most distinguished men in Boston, Dr. Edward L. Partridge, a well-known physician, is his son.

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